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Draft resolution submitted by the President

International Day of Disabled Persons

The General Assembly,

Considering that the United Nations Decade of Disabled Persons has been a period of awareness-raising and action-oriented measures aimed at the continued improvement of the situation of persons with disabilities and the equalization of opportunities for them,

Aware of the need for more vigorous and broader action and measures at all levels to fulfil the objectives of the Decade and the World Programme of Action concerning Disabled Persons,

Noting the importance of developing and carrying out concrete long-term strategies for full implementation of the World Programme of Action beyond the Decade, with the aim of achieving a society for all by the year 2010,

Welcoming the ministerial meeting on persons with disabilities hosted by the Government of Canada at Montreal from 8 to 9 October 1992,

Noting with appreciation the high-level participation in its plenary meetings on 12 and 13 October, marking the conclusion of the United Nations Decade of Disabled Persons,

1. Invites all Member States and organizations concerned to intensify their efforts aimed at sustained effective action with a view to improving the situation of persons with disabilities;

2. Proclaims 3 December as the International Day of Disabled Persons;

3. Urges Governments, as well as national, regional and international organizations, to extend their full cooperation in observing the International Day of Disabled Persons.